

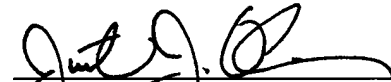
REMARKS

Claims 1-8 and 10-12 remain pending in this application, with Claims 1, 4, 7, 10, and 12 being independent. All of the claims are allowed.

By this Amendment, Applicant has amended independent Claims 7 and 12, to put the same in even better form. Applicant submits that the changes to these claims do not affect their allowability. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration of this Amendment and issuance of a new Notice of Allowance.

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